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SUBJECT: CONCOCO TANKER AND LOBITO PORT

REF: STATE 189284

1. ON RECEIPT OF REFTEL I TALKED WITH THE HIGH COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, THE COMMANDER OF THE NAVY AND MOBIL OIL, WHICH HAS A TELEX LINK WITH LOBITO. TELEPHONE LINES TO LOBITO ARE DOWN TODAY. THE HIGH COMMISSIONER'S STAFF REPORT THAT LOBITO IS CALM AND HAS BEEN FOR A FEW DAYS.

2. ADMIRAL CARDOSO, THE NAVY COMMANDER ALSO TOLD ME LOBITO IS CALM AND THAT THERE IS NO PARALLEL THERE WITH LUANDA, WHERE YOU HAVE A POTENTIALLY HOSTILE FORCE COMMANDING THE HARBOR ENTRANCE. I SAID THAT MAY BE TRUE, BUT A STRAY ROCKET COULD SET THINGS OFF. WE NEED TO KNOW THAT THE SITUATION IS STABLE ENOUGH TO PERMIT THE TANKER TO COME IN AND DISCHARGE IN PEACE AND QUIET.

3. THE ADMIRAL OFFERED TO GET IN TOUCH IMMEDIATELY WITH THE HARBOR MASTER, A NAVAL OFFICER, TO SEE WHAT HE COULD ARRANGE. I URGED HIM TO PIN IT DOWN SO THAT WE WOULD HAVE AN ACCURATE READING OF THE PROBABILITY OF TROUBLE. IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, I

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ADDED, I WOULD LIKE ASSURANCES OF PROTECTION. THE ADMIRAL WILL

GET ON IT TONIGHT AND CALL ME BACK LATER OR DURING THE MORNING
OF AUGUST 12.

4. MOBIL HAD STILL NOT COME THROUGH WITH ANY INFO AS OF THE
TIME THIS CABLE WAS SENT.

5. I TRUST THAT IF THE SAO PEDRO FORT IS VACATED SOON, CONOCO
WILL SEND THE SHIP TO LUANDA TO HELP EASE THINGS HERE.
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